

HERE'S GLAD NEWS

Assessment on Real Estate Will be 25 Per Cent. Lower This Year.

THE COST OF DOING THE WORK.

Will be Larger Than It Was Before.

The cost of making the assessment for Decatur township will be greater this year than any previous year since the present plan of making the assessment went into effect four years ago. The law provides that the real estate be assessed every four years and on other years it is not to be changed except where improvements have been made or buildings removed or destroyed by fire.

The real estate was assessed four years ago when the law went into effect and it has not been changed since but this year all of the real estate will be reassessed. The cost of making the assessment in the spring of 1902 was \$2,106, and in 1901 it was \$2,440.

Four years ago when the real estate was assessed the bill paid by the township amounted to \$3,510. This year the cost will be at least that much. Assessor Waggoner will have about fifteen assistants. These men are paid from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per day and the bill of the assessor for his personal work can not be over \$1,000 and generally amounts to about \$900. Besides there are bills for expenses. The total cost this year will probably be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$4,000.

The assessor begins his work April first. Previous to that time he selects his assistants and the appointments must be confirmed by the town board at a special called meeting held for that purpose. The real estate this year will be assessed lower than it was four years ago, Assessor Waggoner in speaking of the work said:

"The property owners generally have complained about the real estate of Decatur township being assessed too high. Each year they have been wanting the assessor to make changes but of course nothing could be done until this year. I think that the real estate of the township will be assessed at values about 25 per cent. lower than the assessment as it now stands."

KILLING THE CANKER WORM.

Scheme Suggested by Prof. Titus Seems to Work.

Frank Torrence, the custodian of Fairview park, says that his scheme for killing the canker worms which were spoiling the trees in the park has proved successful. The plan was suggested to the custodian by Prof. Titus of the University of Illinois. The scheme is to fasten around a tree a strip of cotton batting and over this to lay paper and smear it with printers' ink.

"The insect can not get past this collar on the tree. The moths come up from the bottom of the tree and lay eggs on the branches and the mischief is done. The collar on the tree prevents the insect reaching the branches and it appears that the trees have been saved from the damage this year."

C. S. Matthews, who was an assistant at the park, has been doctoring trees in this way in different parts of the city.

CANT KEEP AWAY FROM IT

Clint Damrow Likes Army Life So Well He Re-enlists.

Clint Damrow, who served in the regular army for a number of years, and who has been in the city for the past year, has again returned to army life. He has gone to St. Louis where he will enlist with a regiment which is stationed at San Francisco. Damrow said that he liked the army life better than any other occupation that he has ever followed.

DEEDS RECORDED.

E. Payson Stearns to William H. Wagoner lot 16 in block 13 of E. A. Wood's subdivision of blocks 13, 14, and 15 in Gulick's addition to Decatur. —\$300.

Mary M. Hardy et al to Horace T. Salisbury the west half of the north-east quarter and the east half of the north-west quarter of 7, 14, 1 east. —\$16,000.

Emma H. French to Aaron Keller, lot 6 in M. P. Murphy's addition to Decatur. —\$1.

L. Meador Mitchell to Mary F. Crawford, lot 8 in block 1 of Sunnyside addition to Decatur. —\$1,500.

A. J. Lynch to Thomas T. Wornick the north half of the southwest quarter of 26, 16, 1 east. —\$1.

Thomas T. Wornick to Franklin Ward a tract in 13, 16, 1 east. —\$500.

Abraham Lynch to Thomas T. Wornick 10 acres of the southeast corner of 26, 16, 1 east and also the north-west quarter of the southeast quarter of 26, 16, 1 east. —\$3,350.

R. Moore to Daniel W. Moore the south one-third of the east half of 36 17, 1 west. —\$1.

Joseph Gishler to Rosanna Strever 8 acres off the east side of the south-east quarter of the southwest quarter of 26, 16, 1 east. —\$1,600.

Amos Pulke to Augustus Pulke lot 13 in block 1 of William Martin's addition to Decatur. —\$11.

Julia A. Judd to William T. Nicholson the undivided one-fourth interest in the south half of the west half of the southeast quarter of 11, 16, 1 east. —\$400.

H. K. Mikitt to J. E. Osborn lot 8 and the west half of lot 1 in block 1 of Mills Brothers' addition to Decatur. —\$8,000.

MARRIED.

Dunn-Hunter.

Frank H. Dunn and Margaret Hunter were married at 1517 East Front street, Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Rev. J. Bernard officiating.

Mr. Dunn and Miss Hunter are worthy young people and will make Decatur their future home. The bride's home was formerly Ashley, this state. The groom is working for Byrd Davis, the lively man. The newly married couple will reside at 507 East William street.

THE LACK OF WORKHOUSE

Has Cost the County \$24,000 in the Last Eight Years, Says Supervisor Stoy.

MATTER COMES BEFORE BOARD.

"The sum of \$24,000 is what it has cost the county in eight years on account of there being no workhouse in Decatur," says G. W. Stoy, assistant supervisor from Decatur township.

"And I intend to bring this matter before the board at this meeting and make a fight for a workhouse."

"I have been making investigations and have learned that the county will save a lot of money by having a workhouse and we will not have nearly so many tramps bothering us if they know that they must work if arrested in Decatur. Instead of having three meals a day and a bed in the county jail."

"I have been serving on the board for eight years and during that time the county has paid \$24,000 to feed prisoners of the class which would go to the work house. This amount would build several work houses and it is time for the board to take action and have a workhouse in Decatur."

Several other members of the board have expressed their approval of the work house system. Assistant Supervisor Henson is an ardent advocate and Supervisor Rucker of Long Creek says that he will be in favor of such a move.

The March meeting of the board will convene at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. One of the important matters to come up before the board is the question of the improvement of the county jail. A special committee appointed to secure plans have four sets of plans which call for improvements ranging in price from \$15,000 to \$20,000. The committee has chosen one set of plans which are considered the best but the matter of selection will be left with the entire board.

The plans are for an addition to the jail for the south end. This addition will be two stories high and on the second story will be rooms for the juvenile prisoners and the women.

It is possible that Supervisor Henson will present a petition asking that the county orders be distributed more generally among the different grocers and merchants of the city.

There are no elections at this session of the board but bills will be introduced and other routine business transacted.

D. F. GORDON'S GOOD RECORD

Austin Collector First to Report With out a Single Dollar of Delinquent Taxes.

DID SAME THING LAST YEAR.

Austin township was again in the lead this year with the tax collection. D. F. Gordon, the collector for that township was the first to settle with the county treasurer. He brought his books to Treasurer Moffett's office Monday and turned over the money.

Last year Austin township was the first to report and all the money on the books was collected and the case was the same this year. Every dollar was collected by Mr. Gordon and there is no delinquent taxes on the books left for the treasurer to collect.

Besides Mr. Gordon was ahead of time in returning his books to the treasurer. He was not required to settle with the treasurer until today.

The total amount collected by Mr. Gordon was \$7,416.29 and his commission was \$148.32 and the amount turned over to the treasurer was \$7,267.97.

It is rare that all of the taxes on the collector's book in a township is collected and it is quite likely that this will be the only township collector in the county who will not have some delinquent taxes on his books when he settles with the treasurer.

As a matter of convenience the treasurer has set different days on which the collector's books are to be returned to him. The books are all due on March 10, today, but as it is easier to handle a few of the books at a time the collectors were asked to come on different days. The schedule of the days on which the different collectors are to report is as follows:

Tuesday, March 10—Friedland, Blue

Wednesday, March 11—Illini, Creek

Thursday, March 12—South Macon, Long Creek, Whitmore.

Friday, March 13—Maroa, Millam, Oakley, South Wheatland.

Saturday, March 14—Mt. Zion, Pleasant View.

Monday, March 16—Decatur.

MORMONS MOVE.

The second session of the Mormon eldership of Southern Illinois was held in the Odd Fellows hall on East Main street.

The services were not largely attended but the elders were as usual as though the house had been crowded.

Elder George Whitesides of Chicago, delivered an address of an historical nature about the Mormon church.

The elders say that all that they ask is an opportunity to be heard, and have sold a number of Mormon bibles and look forward to the conversion of all who read.

Soon they will remove from Decatur to Quincy and for a time make that place their headquarters.

Early Morning Fire.

A colored boy who was alone in the house of 811 West Decatur street Sunday night dreamed that his feet were being roasted and when the heat aroused him for a few moments he felt that his dream was true.

The house was on fire and he lost no time in turning in an alarm. That was about 2:15 in the morning.

The indications are that the fire was started on the second floor and spread all over the roof. The loss is about \$200.

Spring House Cleaning.

The county jail is undergoing a thorough cleaning. The walls are being whitewashed and the place is being cleaned and new mattresses will be supplied for the prisoners. All of the men in the jail are put to work with wash brushes.

There are now about thirty prisoners in the jail.

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DR. TAYLOR TELLS

Of Some Things He Saw During A Brief Stay in State of Florida.

JACKSONVILLE IS A MARVEL.

Orange Growers Have Recovered Confidence and are Prosperous.

President A. R. Taylor of the Millikin university has returned from Jacksonville and the south and at the former place he attended the meeting of the National Educational Association. Speaking of his trip south he says:

"After attending the Superintendent's meeting I went to Jacksonville, Florida, where a day was spent looking over the new city. The rebuilding of Jacksonville is one of the marvels of the new century. On May 1, 1901 over 28,000 buildings, including several of the biggest hotels and finest residences were destroyed by fire. Since that time over 2000 new buildings have been erected in the same territory. Many of them are of the finest character, marble, granite and pressed brick having replaced the old frame buildings, and have made Jacksonville one of the most beautiful cities architecturally in the entire southland.

"The recent appropriations for enlarging the harbor facilities is giving Jacksonville and addition to boom and the various business interests are making large plans for the future."

New Industries.

Florida is developing many new industries and the various manufacturing industries of the state are already equalling in importance the fruit industry in which are Floridians were so universally engaged before the freeze of 1895. Merchants at Palatka assert that the trade was as good last year as ever before.

"There are about 700 turpentine plants in Florida, working the pine forests day and night. The saw mills have already cleared up the best timber in many parts of the state.

"The Koolin plants are getting a good start. Some four of them south of Gainesville are already giving Florida a good reputation for that kind of clay."

Orange Culture Increasing.

"Orange culture is not limited to the south part of the state but there are many fine groves in the north central part that are having excellent crops this year. One grove near Palatka produced 2000 boxes, another near Orange Lake about the same number while numerous other groves report from 300 to 400 and 500 to 600 boxes.

There has been no serious freeze in Florida for four years and those who stood by their old groves have given up their groves, proper care are now reaping their reward. Hundreds of groves in this part of the state are now in good bloom with fine prospects for next winter. The confidence of the grovers in this part of the state is rapidly returning and if a freeze is escaped for the next two or three years there will undoubtedly be a big boom in orange groves.

"I visited Palatka, Manville, Interlocken, Keuka, Edgar, Grove Park, Rockledge and Gainesville, while gone."

"Interlocken is the most prosperous town between Palatka and Gainesville, occupying a beautiful site among a number of very attractive lakes. Many rich people have homes and orange groves in that locality and seem to enjoy wintering here more than at the sea coast."

DR. COLLINS DEAD.

Shelbyville Physician Succumbs to Bright Disease.

Shelbyville, Ill., March 5.—Alma M. Collins, A. M., M. D., died at his home in this city this morning at 7:30 o'clock of Bright's disease. Dr. Collins was born in Michigan 59 years ago. At the age of 16 he entered the ministry of the Christian church and continued preaching until his fatal illness began some months ago. He was very popular and it was under his preaching, years ago, that Dr. Millam of the Chicago university first united with the church. He leaves a devoted wife and one son, Prof. Leslie N. Collins of St. Louis.

ANOTHER CASE OF SMALLPOX.

T. C. Covey, Rooming at 1036 North Main, the Victim.

Another case of small pox has developed and the officers are looking for a man who was exposed to the disease and who left the city.

The victim this time is T. C. Covey, the city salesman for the Armour packing company. He has been rooming at the home of Milton Blivans, 1036 North Main street. The case was reported by Dr. Burke and board of health and pronounced small pox. Mr. Covey was removed to the pest house and the members of the family living in the house were placed under quarantine. Milton Blivans has had the small pox and there is no danger from him.

The bookkeeper for the Armour company, has been rooming with Mr. Covey. He went out of the city Saturday and when he comes back the officers will place him under quarantine long enough for the disease to develop if he is going to have it.

LOOKS FAVORABLE.

Belief That the Springfield-Decatur Election will be a Go.

B. W. Campbell, president of the Decatur Traction and Electric company, left Decatur yesterday after a short visit here and returned to his home in Cincinnati.

At the office of the Traction company the statement was made that the visit of President Campbell was without significance. It was admitted that while he was in Decatur there was some talk about the proposition to build an interurban from Decatur to Springfield and that the Traction company should be consolidated with the interurban company. Mr. Campbell has been in communication with the promoters of the affair and expressed the opinion that the chances favor the successful completion of the plan. The option under which the promoters are working this life until April 1 and nothing definite will be known until that time.

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SUES LANDLORD

Mrs. Bushart Claims Damages for Injuries Received from Alleged Defective Floor

IN HOUSE OWNED BY A. H. HILL

Jury Secured to Hear the Evidence—Circuit Court.

The damage suit of Nona Bushart against Amandus Hill was taken up for trial in the circuit court Monday.

The suit is one brought to recover \$5000 damages claimed to be due for personal injuries.

Mrs. Bushart and her husband were employed by Mr. Hill on a farm in Millam township. They were given a house in which to live and it is claimed by the plaintiff that Hill represented the house to be in good order. It is further claimed that Mrs. Bushart fell and injured her knee to such an extent that she will never be able to walk as well as she could previous to the accident.

Attorneys I. A. Buckingham and W. Noy Boggers are appearing for the plaintiff and I. R. Mills and John Fitzgerald are defending for Mr. Hill.

The following men were selected to act as jurors: G. C. Hastings, J. L. McWilliams, Thomas Adcock, Ed. S. Keeler, Harry Barnhart, William Mitchell, William Schwartz, Charles Phillips, Squire Crossman, Fred Bantner, Fred C. Miller and A. W. Elbertson.

The trial of the case will probably continue for several days.

Late Opening.

Court was not convened Monday until 3:30 p. m. Judge Cochran in the morning was at Monticello and opened the Platt county circuit court and organized the grand jury. He came to Decatur in the afternoon and will hold court here during the rest of the week. Next week there will probably not be any court in this city as the judge will be required to preside in some of the other counties. There is yet quite a large amount of business to be transacted in this court.

Rork vs. Ehrhart.

In the case of Curtis W. Rork against George Ehrhart a motion was made to strike from the files a bill of particulars which was filed last month. This motion was overruled and another motion was made to strike from the bill certain items and this was taken under advisement by the court.

Pete is Out.

Pete Smith has been released from custody. He and a little boy named Cleo Howard were indicted for stealing from a man who was drunk and claimed to be robbed. The charge was robbery and petit larceny. Smith and the boy pleaded guilty to the larceny and were fined \$10 and costs and sentenced to a term in jail. Monday Pete was discharged under the pauper act.

New Suit.

Nathan Cloney has filed in the circuit clerk's office a suit against F. M. and Lucy Shuck. It is to recover on a note and interest amounting to about \$100.

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A SHOE SALE That is a Sale

Here is a sale of a different sort—a sale that means sure-enough honest price reductions on good SHOES. There's no need to tell this public that Hutchin & Hardy's statements MEAN WHAT THEY SAY—so that when we advertise OUR shoes at such prices there's sure to be such a sale that "you'll have to hurry" if you want some of the "good things" The shoes that we offer at cut prices in this sale are our regular standard goods, some are broken lots, but all are as good as new, as we ever saw for the money. We have cut the prices way down, as follows:

LADIES' \$3.50 BOX CALF SHOES	\$2.35
A, B and C widths, sale price	
LADIES' \$2.50 BOX CALF AND KIDSHOES.	\$1.98
B, C and D widths, sale price	
JOB LOT LADIES' SHOES, SMALL SIZES.	75c
Button, sale price	
JOB LOT MISSES' SHOES.	50c
Button, sale price	
JOB LOT CHILDREN'S SLIPPERS (carpet), sale price	30c
"STETSON" MEN'S \$5.00 SHOES.	\$3.75
Sale price	
THE BEST LINE OF MEN'S \$3.50 SHOES IN THE CITY	\$2.95
Sale price	
BIG LOT MEN'S \$2.50 SOLID LEATHER SHOES	\$1.98
Sale price	
JOB LOT MEN'S SHOES	\$1.00
Sale price	

We are very strong on Boy's Shoes and Men's Work Shoes. Remember, this is to be the greatest shoe sale of the season.

Look for "Dorothy Dodd," the new shoe for women, about March 15th . . .

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MILLIONAIRE'S ARE VICTIMS

Of the Present System Just As the Tramps Are and Should Not Be Blamed.

M'KEE'S SUNDAY ADDRESS.

There was a large crowd at the tabernacle Sunday afternoon to hear Harry M'Kee, the socialist lecturer on "Socialism and Christianity." The speaker was frequently interrupted by applause.

Questions were asked him at the close and one of these was in reply to one about capitalists. He said: "The capitalist is as much a victim of the system as the tramp. Moreover the capitalist is one of the inevitable fruits of the system, and the fact that Rockefeller or Morgan happen to be the victims of the system should not subject them to abuse. Any man placed in the same position would find himself to do the same thing—conquer or be conquered."

He said that there was always a deep seated prejudice against a new truth which in fact was simply the evolution of an old truth to a phase where it is better comprehended by the race. The present system is a fight for the preservation of a system which gives to the few the advantage over the many, preventing the masses from working out a full rounded life. It is all in strange contrast with the teachings of the lowly Nazarene. The speaker made liberal quotations from the new testament before he opened the question and said: "Now ask yourself what man of you dare to apply any of these principles in your chase after dollars. There seems to be a wonderful lack of harmony between the two."

He said that socialism was not many things that it was accused of being; it is not anarchy; it is not communism. It insists that only such things as are collectively used, such as mines, railroads and the resources of nature, should be collectively owned. It would not destroy the home but offer a real home life which capital has destroyed. It is an economic question and does not attack religion. It does not attack the government, which the socialist so loves that he would give his life to abolish a vicious system which threatens to overthrow it. Monday afternoon he appeared before the ministers' association and made an address and had a great many questions to answer at the close. He insisted that sooner or later the churches would have to take part in the battle.

Today Mr. McKee leaves for the north part of the state to fill engagements.

Long C

OF E. A

The old Church street school building is to be torn down and a modern one erected on that site. It is the first structure, practical and the Decatur school system owns it. The building is passing, with a knowledge of its passing, brings a realization of the fact that Decatur has and is keeping pace with the world in the school way.

The statement is made that the building is to be modern and the trustees strangely with the state that even when it was new the church street building was not a model. Almost from the first the building was a blotch. So many have clapped that now there is a danger of treading on the toes of those who were responsible for it by the truth about it. It is related when the foundation was being plotted work was stopped, temporary work was done, and then at least, to give the promoters a chance to determine what they would do. During that time a visitor in the building was taken out to see the slight among other things he viewed the foundation walls of the new building. He was compelled to admit that the mechanical work had the appearance of being well done. There had been no excavation, no basement, no visitor made inquiries about the building. Then his guide, who was also a member of the board of school directors, exclaimed: "We have no plans to build the walls and to that perhaps some of you would come in and give us a word as to how to arrange the interior. Persons who are familiar with original interior arrangement questioned the truth of this statement of its probability was them."

Commented As Teacher.

That building was constructed during the years 1866-7. It was that E. A. Gastman came to Decatur and took a situation as teacher in the Church street school. Then he was the school of Decatur were practical without system. Each teacher was a law unto himself and various places were rented for purposes. It was not uncommon for pupils to attend such schools as desired. The teacher might be "where is Bill Jones?" He had been here for three days."

"Bill's quit," volunteered one school. "He says this school's no good. He's going in the basement church." There was no school in the school of Decatur were practical without system. Each teacher was a law unto himself and various places were rented for purposes. It was not uncommon for pupils to attend such schools as desired. The teacher might be "where is Bill Jones?" He had been here for three days."

It was in 1862 that E. A. G. was chosen superintendent of and then there began to be work for teachers and all other sized an authoritative hand.

Due To His Efforts.

It has been under the guidance of Superintendent Gastman that the school system has reached the point to such a state of order and made. At times during his administration he has encountered opposition. Patrons of the schools have said that a change might be beneficial. He don't think that way now and he is not to let Mr. Gastman's reputation as his health and years of thought. Mr. Gastman himself has admitted a change would be a thing but he has always been in his proposals in that direction. He has resigned a number of but the board of education have partly refused to relieve him. In person he has been relieved by made Mr. Gastman said.

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STOLE FIDDLE.
And Now John Cavanaugh Will be
Tried for Larceny.
John Cavanaugh, whose chief dis-
tinction is that of being a fiddler of
local reputation, is in the county jail.
He was arrested because he borrowed
a violin and failed to return it.
Cavanaugh did a similar trick some
time ago but on that occasion the vic-
tim was his brother. This time he
borrowed from Will Muzzy a \$30 vio-
lin, saying that he intended playing
at a dance and promised not only to
return the violin but also to pay for
its use if it. He failed to do either.
When Mr. Muzzy discovered that
Cavanaugh had left the city he swore
out a warrant. The man was located
at Vandana and the sheriff went to
that place and brought Cavanaugh
back. He had in his possession when
arrested an old fiddle and said that
he fell down and broke Muzzy's violin.
It is supposed that the violin has
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Long Career in School Work

Of E. A. Gastman and Miss Mary L. French.

but street school building
and a modern build-
ing on that site. It is the
old building in Decatur. It
was practically built by
the school system owned
and operated by the
public. It is a realization
of the fact that the school
system has and is keep-
ing the world in the public
school.

It is made that the new
school building and that
the old building was not
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was built. So many years
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buildings. It is telling
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to what they would do next
time a visitor in Decatur
went to see the sights and
things he viewed the
walls of the new building.
It led to admit that the
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of a new building. There had
been no basement, and the
new building was built on
the old building. It was a
board of school directors.
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ly \$2,000,000 since I have been clerk
of the board. It is a pleasure to state that
no man has ever attempted to get pay
for a bill the second time, or to de-
fraud the people in any way. No dis-
putes have arisen in the settlement of
business matters.
More than a thousand diplomas have
been signed for the graduates of the
high school and I do not believe that a
noble band of men and women has
gone out from any institution in the
land so far as I know, not half a
dozen of them have made "shipwreck
of life."
Several of my friends in different
parts of the country have asked gen-
tly how long I expected to stay in the
work. They are entitled to stay in the
work as I can give. In 1899, I
tendered my resignation to take effect
September 1, 1900. The board kindly
but earnestly, requested me to with-
draw it. We then made a new con-
tract. Whenever it is deemed best
for the schools that I should retire
the members have agreed to whisper
to me and I am to quit at once. On my
part, the privilege is accorded of re-
signing whenever I may wish to do so.
In other words, I am now working by
the day.

Early Days in School Work.
Now, when the questions of the in-
terviewer take Superintendent Gas-
tman back, he has a wonderful fund of
remembrance of early days in Decatur.
Speaking of the days before he was
regularly appointed head of the schools,
Superintendent Gastman relates that
during the school term of six months
when he was a teacher at the Church
street building, every day of the school
year one girl came tardy. Every known
remedy of that time failed to bring a
reformation in her habit of coming
just when she pleased.

Some Early Trials.
It is not uncommon for persons who
have attended school in a country set-
tlement perhaps, or in a small town of
a thinly settled country, to relate the
deeds of some of the pupil terrors
who ruled teacher and pupils alike.
Perhaps it was due to the fact that
the community was not thickly set-
tled and the stories of the terror were
the event of the day and dwelt upon
with some gusto by the inhabitants,
coupled with much speculation as to
what the teacher would do, that these
stories have lived so long. Now there
are so many other things to engage
attention that the school terror
attracts little attention. Supt.
Gastman believes that much is in the
personality of the teacher. He may
be well informed, he a thorough schol-
ar, but not qualified for a teacher. He
cited an instance in the person of a
teacher at the Church street school
in an early day. This man is said
to have been the most scholarly

boy could not be managed in the ward
schools he was sent to the office of the
superintendent and there received
what was coming to him. That sort
of thing soon amounts to nothing, and
Supt. Gastman cited an instance at the
Church street school when the pupils
acted beyond control. The teacher
trashed them as soundly as he could
but without avail. Finally it became
so much of a joke that every time he
called a boy forward the latter gath-
ered his coat tightly about his body
and bent forward without hearing a
word from the teacher, and that too,
perhaps when no thrashing had been
intended.

Decline of Corporal Punishment.
In recent years there has been no
corporal punishment. Superintendent
Gastman said: "If there are forty pup-
ils in a room and they are constantly
annoyed by a boy who is unmanageable
and takes up the greater part of the
teacher's time keeping him straight, he
should be put out of the school. The
other thirty-nine pupils have some
rights. They have come to be in-
structed and are willing to learn. It
is an imposition on their rights that
the time of the teacher, which be-
longs to them, should be consumed by
one or two boys who will not behave."
The last time corporal punishment
was administered at the high school
was some years ago and the recipient
was a boy who for some reason was
utterly beyond control and was after-
ward sent to the reform school. Time
and again he had given his teacher
trouble and the last time he was on the
carpet he was informed that his next
offense would result in a tanning.
That threat was without avail. In a
few days he was at the office. The su-
perintendent wanted to get out of the
job, so he called the janitor and in a
voice that the boy could certainly
hear instructed the janitor to go out
and cut a switch. The latter obeyed,
and the boy sat in a chair waiting for his
turn. Placing the stick on the table
the superintendent explained that he
was called to another part of the build-
ing for a few moments and that on his
return he would deliver the thrashing
he had promised. He went away leav-
ing the boy alone in the room.
Half an hour later he re-
turned, and the boy was still there.
The superintendent was disgusted. He
had figured that while he was absent
the boy would of course sneak out. Still
hoping that he could escape with de-
livering only a lecture he picked up the
stick, but before he could say anything
the kid jumped into the middle of the
room and defied him and at the same
time told what his father would do in
case that stick was used. The super-
intendent was cornered and there was
nothing to do but lay on the gad, and
he did it. In commenting upon the
fact that this boy was afterwards ar-
rested for stealing a purse and was
sentenced to the reformatory, Super-
intendent Gastman said that he did not
like the idea of sending boys to that in-
stitution. It was then that he spoke
of the parental school saying it should
be on the order of a manual training
school, and that care should be used
in selecting the teacher. Many per-
sons, he said, confound the manual
training school with the idea of a work

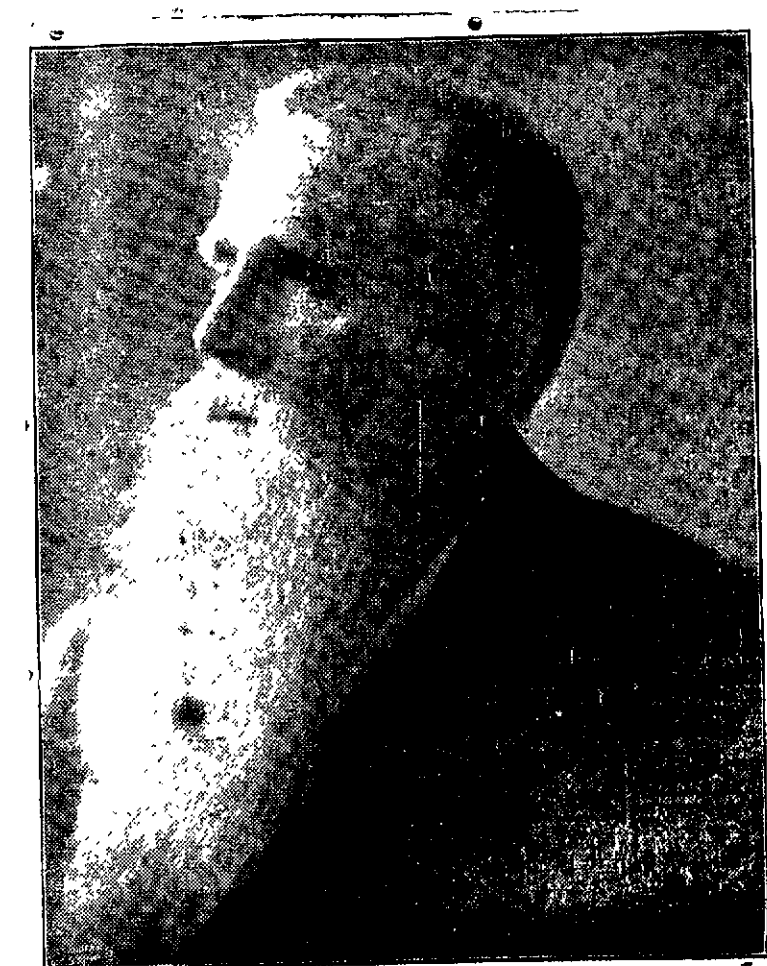
expended in putting a brick floor in a
room in the basement of the original
high school building. In 1892 he suc-
ceeded in getting an appropriation of
\$465.25 and three years later \$675.50
for the same purpose, and in 1906,
since its establishment the board had
expended upon the laboratory a total

recently estimated and he stated that
he is in favor of it. If it is for pos-
sible who can not be managed with other
pupils. They must be put in a separ-
ate class with others of their kind
and have special discipline. In the
old days corporal punishment was the
remedy for this kind. Then when a
shop pure and simple—a place to ac-
quire a trade. The idea in teaching
drawing in public schools is not to de-
velop each pupil as an artist but to
addition to acquiring some use of the
hand, to imbibe some knowledge of
and better appreciation of art.
The principal thing in a manual

high school she is an authority. She
tells some interesting facts in regard to
the early history of the school.
Notes Growth.
"The growth of the school," said
Miss French in referring to her work
in Decatur, "has been very great since
I came to the city. We tried very
hard during my first year to keep the
attendance up to the 100 mark, but
at the end of the year there were only
99 pupils in the school. Now there
are somewhere between 500 and 600.
That first year there were only four
in the graduating class and for a year
or two afterward no one at all gradu-
ated."
"We only had four teachers in the
school at that time. They were Mr.
Gastman, who was the principal, Miss
Mary E. Baker, Miss Miranda Sargent
and myself. Both of the two ladies
are now dead. Mr. Gastman is superin-
tendent and I am still teaching. We
used the old assembly room on the top
floor and two other rooms and I had
a room on the west side on the second
floor. The rest of the building was
used for some of the grammar school
pupils and for primary school children
who then came to the high school.
Everyone knows of the many additions
and changes which have since been
made to the high school building."
"The laboratory is one of the new
features. At first we had two or three
old bones lying around, but that was
the extent of the laboratory. Later
one was arranged in the cellar. It
was a horribly gloomy old place, but
it was the start of the well appointed
laboratory which later was fitted on
the third floor."
Younger Now.
"As far as the pupils go I do not see
very much change in those whom I
taught at first and the pupils of today.
The age of the young people has
changed a great deal. They are much
younger now than they used to be.
We have some children in the high
school who are only twelve years old.
They manage to skip a grade in the
ward schools and then try to get
through the high school in three and
one-half years."
"Aside from the difference in age I
do not see any particular change. The
pupils were about as easy to teach
in the early days as they are now and
they learned as readily. It is possible
that they were taught a little better
when we did not have so many for the
reason that the classes were smaller
and each pupil perhaps got more at-
tention. For example I remember
when I had algebra classes of only
six or eight pupils while now the
classes in that study are made up of
25 or 35 pupils."
"While the growth of the school
has made it necessary to have more
system than formerly, I do not think
the pupils are taught any better. In
former years we taught just as well
as now."

On account of having been connected
with the school for so many years Miss
French frequently finds in her classes
a pupil whose mother or father was
taught by her years ago. Occasion-
ally there will be a pupil whose father
and mother were both formerly in
Miss French's classes.
With new boys and girls entering the
school each year Miss French's ac-
quaintance is constantly increased, and
she probably knows more people than
any other woman in the city, and she
can remember them. For nineteen
years Miss French kept the school
records and she can now recognize the
name of any person whose name was
ever on the records when she kept them.
Anyone who was ever in her
class she does not forget. The boys,
Miss French says, she remembers bet-
ter than the girls. Many of her pup-
ils have left the city and wandered
all over the country, but it is not in-
frequent that some of these former
pupils will write to her to inform
their former teacher of their doings.
Miss French always takes an inter-
est in the future welfare of her pupils
and this has brought her close to the
hearts of many of the young people.
She says she always takes an interest
in what her former pupils are doing
and is always pleased and feels a cer-
tain pride when she hears of the suc-
cess of any of them.

Influence of Teacher.
"I guess our influence as teachers,"
said Miss French, "was not so bad.
Of all the pupils that were in my class
only one ended in the penitentiary.
He was a young fellow who fell into
bad company and was sent to the
penitentiary for a year. On the other
hand not so many of them have turned
out preachers. Still there were a
few, among them being Levi Towne,
Will Gray and Abner Cobb. I really
do not think that there were any of
my pupils who made an utter wreck
of their lives. At least I have never
heard of them if they did."
"My pupils are yet too young to
have gained for themselves any great
honors or national reputation, but I
believe that there are some who may.
Many have made good starts in life and
a great many have been successful
enough to be now making a good living
for themselves."
Some of Her Pupils.
"Harry Bumstead, who is now a
professor at Yale college, was one of
my pupils. In the city there are, I
believe, eleven of the physicians who
went to school to me and also quite
a number of lawyers. I cannot help
but have a personal interest in these
young men and I like to keep track of
my pupils as nearly as possible."
"I find the names and names of the
pupils deeply impressed upon my
mind. A few days ago Louis Moeller,
who was my pupil thirty years ago,
called upon me. When I had last
seen him he was a young man, and
now he has gray hair and wore a
beard. His face was familiar and
after hearing his last name I at once
recalled him. As we talked I saw
the same old expressions on his face."
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E. A. GASTMAN.



MARY L. FRENCH.

Commenced As Teacher.
The first building constructed dur-
ing 1896-7. It was in 1899
that Gastman came to Decatur
in his position as teacher at the
Church street school. Then the pub-
lic school system of Decatur was practically
reorganized. Each individual
was a law unto himself for his
class. At that time rooms in
private houses were rented for school
use. It was not uncommon for
the teacher might inquire,
"Is Bill Jones?" He has not
been here for three days."
The quiet, volunteered one of the
teachers in the basement of the
Church street school. There was no school law
to Bill doing as he pleased and
he did.

In 1892 that E. A. Gastman
became superintendent of schools
and then there began to be some sys-
tem in the schools and all other rec-
ognized authorities head.

Due To His Efforts.
It has been under the guidance of
Superintendent Gastman that the pub-
lic school system has reached the pres-
ent high plane. Few men in the coun-
try point to such record as he has
made. At times during his administra-
tion he has encountered opposition
from the schools have thought
that change might be beneficial. They
think that way now and are will-
ing to let Mr. Gastman continue as
superintendent of schools and years will per-
haps a change would be a good
thing, but he has always been defini-
tely in the position in that direction.
He has resigned a number of times
from the board of education have stand-
ed refused to release him.
His personal statement recent-
ly Mr. Gastman said:
During the forty-three years that
I have been in this district I
have been paid an average of \$3,728.60
per year. I commenced on a salary of
\$100 for a term of six months. So far
as I can remember, I have never said
a word to the board about my salary
with two exceptions. At the end of my
first year I was reappointed with no
change. Another man doing the same
work received an increase of \$5 per
month. I objected and the same in-
crease was given to me. Later when I
was receiving \$900 per year, I was of-
fered \$1,200 to take a school in a
remote city. I asked to be re-
tained from my contract and the board
granted the request by raising my
salary to \$1,300.

The story will show how fin-
ancial matters sometimes turn out.
Mr. Gastman has been a schoolmaster. I have been
a professorship in the normal
school at Carbondale and Normal.
My last offer came my wife and
I would be wise for me to
stay. It was during the summer
and there seemed no good
reason why I should not be permitted
to stay. Accordingly, I presented my
resignation to the board. It was at once
accepted and my salary should be ad-
justed to \$2,500, or that I should be
paid a term of five years so that
that I was permanently
in that length of time. For
reasons I declined to accept
the position. A petition was
presented by the business men of
the city to me to remain and I
refused to do so. About two years
later a financial panic visited
the city. Complaints were made
that the teachers were still receiving
millennial salaries that were
no longer prosperous years. At that
time I was receiving \$2,000 per year.
I was determined to reduce all salar-
ies to a certain figure. Of course it would
cost every salary but the
one and mine was put at \$1,000.
It remained for four years.
The orders amount to near-

teachet ever in Decatur, but he could
not control the gang. One day he had
a difficulty with a boy who was a man-
dator. The next day the big brother of the
erring pupil came to the school and
with many oaths and much charging
about informed the teacher what would
be his fate if he imposed again on that
boy. Instead of taking a poker and
battering the intruder on the head, the
teacher in submission listened to it all.
Of course all of the pupils heard it.
They saw the teacher back down and
matters in lack of discipline went from
bad to worse until at Christmas time,
when after a service of four months,
the board asked the teacher to resign.
At another time there was such a lack
of discipline there that the board was
compelled to ask the teacher to re-
sign several weeks before the end of
his term. At that time the Church
street school stood quite alone on the
common. To the northwest, in the
direction of the present site of the
Mueller shop, there was a pond, a fam-
ous place for skating in the winter
time. It was not infrequent that at
recess a crowd of boys in spite of the
pleadings and threats of the teacher,
would leave school and go to the pond
to put in the balance of the day skate-
ing, or if the weather was warm, go
in the other direction to loaf about the
business center or go on to the river
as their fancy dictated. On one oc-
casion after a teacher there had been
compelled to quit and while Mr. Gas-
tman was occupying the position of
principal of the High School and su-
perintendent of city schools as well,
he was practically compelled to go
to that building and in addition to his
other duties, take charge there. By
that time he had come to be recognized
as the head of the system and his
word was law. The pupils did not
know that he was coming. When he
entered they were scattered about the
room having a good time. He tapped
the bell once, but no one gave heed.
Then he stood quietly at the desk.
Finally one boy happened to see who
had sounded the bell and whispering
to the one nearest to him, "there's
Gastman," slid into his seat. Thus
the word was passed around and gradu-
ally the room was quiet. The su-
perintendent merely said, "hereafter
when the bell sounds you will come to
order." That was all he had to say,
and during the several months that
he was in charge of the school he had
no trouble on the score of lack of dis-
cipline.

The Laboratory.
When asked what particular thing
or department in the public school
system had been of greatest advantage
to the pupils, Supt. Gastman replied,
"the laboratory." He smiled when he
remembered the difficulty he encoun-
tered when he first began his effort to
induce the board of education to ap-
prove his plan to make an appropri-
ation to establish that department. Up to
that time, except in colleges, there was
no thought of anything but text books
in giving instructions in chemistry and

even that long ago, although he did
not designate it by that name. Supt.
Gastman was leaning toward the the-
ory of manual training. After months
of discussion with the board members,
in 1877 he induced them to make an
appropriation of \$100 for laboratory
purposes. Of that sum \$59.41 was

of the subject. Studying from a text
book exclusively is apt to grow dull.
Making experiments keeps alive the in-
terest and enables them above all to
"do something."
Favors Parental School.
This thought brought Supt. Gastman
to the subject of the "parental school"

Miss Mary L. French Has Taught for
34 Years.
Thirty-four years as teacher in the
same school in Decatur is the record
held by Miss Mary L. French, the senior
member of the faculty of the Decatur
high school.
Few teachers in any part of the
country have been in service in one
educational institution that long and
there is but one other person who
has been teaching in this city longer
than Miss French. When the latter
came to this city Miss Jennie Durfee
was teaching school and she is now en-
gaged in the same profession, but there
were several years when she did not
teach. E. A. Gastman has been con-
nected with the Decatur schools longer
than Miss French and was at one time
a teacher, but in later years he has held
the position of superintendent, so Miss
French is really the dean of the high
school faculty.
The term of service of Miss French
has been almost continuous. In the
year of 1894-95 Miss French did not
teach and enjoyed a much needed
rest, but the next year she continued
the work.
Miss French was born in Griggsville,
Ill., and attended the state normal
school and taught in the schools of
Cairo for two years. When the prin-
cipal of the high school there left
Miss French accepted a position in
Decatur high school. This was in the
fall of 1895, and with all the changes
that have taken place in the person-
nel of the faculty, the additions to the
buildings and the changes in the work,
she is still here and is recognized as
one of the most able teachers in the
city. Miss French's particular branch
was mathematics, and in this line
there are probably few teachers any-
where who are any better. If any-
one was a member of one of Miss
French's algebra or geometry classes
and does not know anything about
those studies it is not the fault of
Miss French. She has a thorough
understanding of mathematics and she
has a way of imparting the knowl-
edge to the pupils which only fails in cases
where the pupil is too indifferent or
stupid to learn.
Having served as a teacher for so
many years Miss French naturally has
an understanding of the business of a
teacher and in the history of the local

en me any cause for such action. I
deem this explanation due her for the
manner in which I have mistreated
her by filing the petition above men-
tioned, which was whiskey, and not
Jim McVeigh. We are living togeth-
er now—as we always have done—and
as we both shall live."

KANSAS' ODD DIVORCE SUITS.
Curious Reasons for Appeal to Break
Nuptial Bonds.
As a rule, Specie—The divorce
cases are the main thing in this dis-
trict would seem the idiosyncrasies
and whimsies of the human race. At
this time recently Mrs. H. J. Williams
has filed suit for separation from her
husband alleging drunkenness. Mr.
Williams has filed a cross-bill, in
which he alleges that he drank un-
der the influence of liquor, but avows that he

was encouraged to do so by his wife,
"because, when drunk, he would more
readily give her the money which she
asked for." By making him drunk
with sufficient frequency she procured
from him many costly favors, such as
a trip to Europe, and, furthermore,
says Mr. Williams, her appetite for
liquor "was nothing less than my
own."
At Wichita John H. Shore is suing
his wife for divorce under circum-
stances decidedly unusual. He al-
leges that they were married in 1851

and that they lived together with
comparative happiness for more than
fifty years. Then a charmer came
along in the person of a better look-
ing man and she went away with
him.
At Wichita, also, James McVeigh
brought suit for divorce from his wife,
alleging a number of things against
her, as I was under the influence of
liquor at the time and had been for
several days previous thereto, and as
soon as I realized what I had done I
lost no time in having the case dis-

missed.
"Had I been sober at the time, no
money would have hired me to do
what I did, as my wife has never giv-

en me any cause for such action. I
deem this explanation due her for the
manner in which I have mistreated
her by filing the petition above men-

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THE ELKINS LAW

Gives More Effect to the Enforcement of the Interstate Commerce Law.

ITS PROVISIONS ARE RIGID.

Railroads Will Not Be Able to Show Favors To Big Shippers.

The members of the interstate commerce commission, individually and collectively, are receiving many inquiries from railroad shippers and shippers throughout the states as to the intentions of that body with regard to the enforcement of the new Elkins anti-rebate law, says W. E. Curtis in the Chicago Record. For some reason or another there seems to be an impression prevailing in various quarters that the legislation was intended for political purposes to satisfy public clamor against the trusts, and that the people to be humbugged by a demonstration that will amount to nothing and have no serious effect upon the adherence of the railway companies to the public party or diminish their contributions to its campaign fund. Any shrewd manager or shipper who violates the law upon this presumption is sure to get into trouble and pay the penalty, the attorney is anxious to make a record, and the interstate commerce commission has been eagerly hoping for such a law for these years.

Official propriety will not permit the members of the commission to anticipate their action or interpret the law in advance, nor can they answer the many questions that are being asked by persons directly interested. They may, however, after consideration, decide to issue a circular of information for the benefit of railway shippers and the shipping public. That could be unusual, however. It is not customary for the interstate commerce commission to notify possible offenders of the penalty attached to violations of any more than any other judicial tribunal, but the popular relations existing between that body and the transportation companies may justify the publication of a circular of information giving the text of the new law and of other statutes pertaining to the right and passenger traffic. This, however, has not been even formally considered.

One member of the commission, looking in his individual and unofficial capacity and without consultation with his colleagues, said this in answer to my inquiries: "My information or suggestion from any quarter that the legislation has not been a thing and does not intend to act in the utmost good faith and is not influenced by malicious motives is entirely unfounded and unwarranted. On the contrary, I believe that the president and attorney general use very much in this anti-trust legislation. It is called, and that the members of the commission who have been attacked by an honorable and patriotic desire to correct the evils that have been apparent to everyone. The president, the attorney general, Senator Elkins and Mr. Hepburn have appreciated the defects in the original law, which operated practically to prevent the enforcement of criminal provisions. They also appreciated, as many have not, the advantages secured by the so-called 'big shipper' and other shippers through the payment of rebates and other manipulations of the published rates. They have likewise perceived that this matter unquestionably within the control of congress and that the strengthening of the law in these particulars involves no question of constitutional authority.

The first step, therefore, in applying legal remedies to the evils attending modern combinations was to provide for the enjoyment by the large shippers of a public service on terms more favorable than those accorded to smaller shippers and the public generally. The provisions of the Elkins law in this respect are altogether desirable and necessary. They correct defects that have long existed, and it is not detracting from the merits of the legislation to say that it is precisely those who are affected are precisely those who are recommended every year a number of years. There has been no change in the general principle of existing laws. No new laws have been introduced; no new laws have been created or defined; the authority of the commission and makes easier to convict and punish those who commit misdemeanors."

The members of the interstate commerce commission naturally decline to interpret the provisions of the new law in advance, and when I called their attention to newspaper accounts of dissonance that have recently occurred in Chicago they remarked that the language of the statute was perfectly plain and that any man of intelligence sufficient to manage a railroad need not require a commentary. "Is the granting of a pass a rebate discrimination?" I asked. "Will roads be forbidden to give passes to shippers?"

"It is not necessary to pay money to get a pass. It is necessary to give a check or bill to a shipper or consignee of a part of the bill to commit the offense known as 'discrimination,' said one of the members of the commission. "Any form of discrimination or inducement or advantage accorded to one shipper that is not accorded to another is a rebate or a discrimination, and therefore a misdemeanor, and is punishable by the penalties imposed by the law. It is just as much a violation of a law of Congress as should be punished by the penalties as any violation of the national revenue laws or the customs laws governing the postal service. But a railway company which passes in order to obtain freight rates is not a misdemeanor. It is a misdemeanor to be tried before a jury in the federal courts before the interstate commerce commission can do it to ascertain the facts and submit them to the department of justice. The Elkins law will

STRENGTHEN ITS ARMS AND MAKE IT EASIER FOR THE LAW OFFICERS OF THE GOVERNMENT TO PUNISH VIOLATIONS OF THE STATUTES GOVERNING INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

"What about first offenses?" Will any allowance be made or consideration shown for first offenses?"

"That is a matter entirely beyond the authority or jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission. It lies within the discretion of the courts to impose the maximum or the minimum fine, and of course it will be governed by circumstances. The commission has nothing to say on any such questions."

"What about past offenses?"

"All violations of the law known to the commission have been or will be reported to the proper authorities."

"Is the free storage of sugar, coffee, flour or grain for large shippers considered a rebate, or an allowance for drayage or cartage, and will such things be punished?"

"Any advantage or favor granted to one shipper that is not granted to all shippers is a misdemeanor under the law, and if free storage and allowances for cartage are granted to one class of shippers, they must be granted to all shippers."

"Does the law apply to exports and imports; must rates upon merchandise shipped to and from foreign countries correspond with domestic rates?"

"Certainly. A transportation company which offers a lower rate to Liverpool or Hamburg to one shipper than it offers to another is violating the law just as much as if the rate was made to New York alone. But that is not the object of the law. The law is intended to prevent the discrimination without knowing the shares of the railroad and the share of the steamer. We have no control over the steamer, but the rail carrier can not lawfully take less from one shipper than from another, no matter whether the destination of the cargo is within or without the boundaries of the United States."

Four Eclipses This Year.

During the year 1907 there will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon. The first is the annual eclipse of the sun on March 28, which will be visible in central Asia and Siberia and Alaska. As the shadow of the moon does not reach the earth, the corona and other appendages usually seen about the sun will not be visible to astronomers, and no preparation is being made to observe the eclipse. The total eclipse of the sun of September 20 will be visible in the Indian ocean and on the antarctic continent, but as little land is touched by the shadow of the moon and that is inaccessible to observers, no observation will be made by the several governments which usually participate in such scientific enterprises, says the Washington Post.

A partial eclipse of the moon will occur on April 15, visible generally in Europe, Asia and Africa. The eclipse of the moon will be visible in the eastern part of the United States. On October 6 another partial eclipse of the moon will be visible in Asia, parts of Europe, Africa and the Pacific ocean.

The most notable event of the year will be the opposition of Mars, which will occur on April 1. On April 1 the distance of Mars will be a minimum, being then only 58,000,000 miles. The opposition is so circumstantial, however, that astronomers will have some favorable conditions for studying Martian problems. The northern polar cap will be visible, and doubtless many observations of it will be made by numerous native observers. The satellite of Mars, discovered by Prof. H. G. Laugel, will probably be beyond the reach of that telescope in the present position of the planet, but they may be visible in the more powerful telescopes of the Lick observatory. It is not known what observations of Mars, if any, are contemplated at the naval observatory. Many problems are now studied by astronomers with large telescopes, of which the measurement of satellites is one. Other lines of study relate to the diameter of the planet by night and by daylight, and drawings of the numerous markings noted upon the surface of our sister planet.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Whitewashed Heroines.

One of the favorite devices of American theater managers who produce plays of foreign origin is to whitewash the heroine or hero in some way. A good woman if she has a past. This charge is considered necessary in order to gain for her the sympathy of the public, and the American public will not show interest in any but good women.

Formerly it took as much interest as the French in the hectic heroines of the 70s and early 80s. Elsewhere should never have had any Alka. Article 47 and Frou-Frou, Coralie.

Of all the sinning heroines only "Camille" still holds her own. Her past is luckily mitigated by tuberculosis. The intolerance for her kind that has shown itself so decisively might have extended to her.

The heroine must be good, or, like the French women with pasts, stand frankly on generalities as her long suit, and not care a rap for the sympathy of her spectators. She must dazzle them by her wickedness, but not be bad and then whine over it.

If she takes poison like a lady, her courage may command admiration. But if she sneaks back home like poor Gilberte, and snivels into her pocket handkerchief, she is too wicked to be tolerated. That is the attitude of the managers of the day.

If they were able to exercise their own judgment always they would have as little to do with one of these speckled heroines as with another. The chance of great popular success with them is very slight.

But actresses are longer able to play the parts of young girls in delight in the emotions of these more mature sirens. Thus the woman with the past still plays occasionally. The talents of the actress no longer in the first flush of youth accounts for many theatrical phenomena that would otherwise be inexplicable.

But the youthful and sentimental heroine who makes a false step is no longer tolerated here. She is irrelevant to foreign audiences and her dramatists still write about her. But she must be reformed for local consumption.—New York Sun.

As an all-around optimist Cupid is pretty near the real thing.

HIS EIGHTY THIRD BIRTHDAY

Reached in Good Health By Daniel Stookey, Well Known Harris-town Citizen.

FAMILY REUNION WAS HELD.

Daniel Stookey, one of the oldest and best known residents of Marion county, celebrated his 83rd birthday Friday at his home in Harris-town. The celebration was a quiet family affair and has been observed annually for many years. All Mr. Stookey's children and five of his thirteen grandchildren were present. There was a big family dinner and the afternoon was spent with music and games.

Among those present were Lewis Stookey and family, with whom Mr. Stookey makes his home, D. W. Stookey of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, a daughter, Mrs. E. B. Randle and her son, Hubert, of Muncie, Ind., and another daughter, Mrs. S. M. Lutz and her family of this city.

Mr. Stookey, while he is pretty well started on his fifth score of years, is still hale and hearty, and has never suffered from any serious illness. He was born March 6, 1826, in St. Clair county, Illinois, and there grew to manhood. About 1845 he was married and a few years later moved to Bloomington, where he engaged in business. Forty years ago he removed to Elkhart county, where he has since resided, and engaged in farming. He is one of the prominent farmers of the county. Mr. Stookey received many remembrances.

Deaths Recorded.

Anna B. Drake to S. E. Walker, 68 feet off of the east side of lot 2 in block 5 in Northwestern addition to Decatur—\$100.

Lewis Sachs to C. F. M. Ihardt, lots 24 and 25 in the resurvey of lot 1 in block 1 in original town of Decatur—\$19,000.

Ambrose C. Faulkner to Norman Pringle the south half of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter, also the south half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter and 30 acres in the west half of the southwest quarter of 17, 16, 3 east—\$1.

Daniel A. Heidelberg to Edwin E. Heidelberg the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of 34, 15, 1 east—\$4,000.

Elmer E. Grindel to Wm. C. Hall, lot 29 in block 5 in Higgins addition to Decatur—\$1100.

Lenora K. Scroggins to Henderson Lenora K. Scroggins to Leander Leagon the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of 18, 15, 1—\$4,000.

Nannie Drunkel to Carl Banta, lots 4 and 5 and 4 feet in width off of the south side of lot 6 in block 25 in railroad addition to Macon—\$600.

James L. Hight to Carl Banta, lots 15 and 16 in block 26 in railroad addition to Macon—\$1100.

Anna Reed to Andrew A. Parr, the north half of the southeast quarter of 33, 18, 4 east—\$9800.

Portland Jameson to W. J. Morgan, 40 feet off of the north side of the west half of lot 2 in block 2 in Banta's resurvey in the southeast quarter of 3, 15, 3 east—\$200.

Chris H. McDonald to D. E. Brooks, lot 3 in block 2 in Maffitt's addition to Decatur—\$1,500.

Henry Walcott to John W. Cheney, lot 11, block 11 East Park boulevard addition—\$700.

Fred C. Lyon to R. A. Nichols the east half of the northwest quarter of 7; also 20 acres in the northwest quarter of 7; and 50 acres in the north half of the southeast quarter of 6, all in 16, 2 east—\$16,250.

Elizabeth Heidelberg to Edwin E. Heidelberg the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of 34, 15, 2 east—\$1000.

Estella A. Brooks to C. H. McDonald lot 10 in block 6 in South addition to Decatur; also a tract 40x16 feet on the east of said tract—\$2,700.

FANCY ROMANCER

Jennie Cline Is In Jail While the Authorities are Investigating Her Case.

TALES BEYOND COMPREHENSION

Boasts of Her Own Total Depravity—She May Be Insane.

Jennie Cline, who gave her age as 16 years and says that her home is in Englewood, had her headquarters at the county jail last night. As a formality in order that she may be held a prisoner until some of her stories are investigated, a petition has been filed in the county court declaring that she is a dependent person.

Friday the girl rushed into the police headquarters and in an excited way asked the police if they had Lige Houser, of Champaign, under arrest. When she came into the office Chief Sullivan thought that she was a girl and to have run away from her home in Chicago and he detailed an officer to follow her until the information concerning the missing girl could be looked up. She was followed to a hotel and there the discovery was made that she and a man were occupying a room, having registered as husband and wife. The girl was taken at once to the police headquarters. After she had told her story to State's Attorney Redmon she was given into the care of Sheriff Tharitt and locked in the women's ward in the residence end of the jail until her case can be disposed of.

The girl said that she would be 16 years old in April. She might just as well have said that she would be 15 and it would have been believed, for she might be either so far as her appearance goes. After much cross-questioning she said that her father lived a short distance out of Englewood on a rural route, but she did not know the number. The father she said was John Cline.

Her story was to the effect that she and her twin brother, Jimmy, had left home and been touring around the country. Their ambition, she said, was to go on the stage, and a part of her story detailed that she joined a show company and went to Kentucky, but after two weeks she and her brother left the company and came to Decatur. She says that they have been in Decatur two weeks and that her brother left this city on Thursday night for their home in Englewood. She accounts for leaving home by saying that she and her brother desired to go on the stage, and their father was opposed to it. When the state's attorney said that he would write to the father she said: "Oh, he don't care. If he did he'd have had a girl of my age at home again before this."

Later Assistant State's Attorney Hugin and a reporter talked to her at the jail and they came to the conclusion that she was insane, because of the improbable stories that she told. She related that on three occasions she had assisted men in making criminal assaults upon women. Twice her brother was convicted in these assaults. She said that on each occasion her father succeeded in getting her out of trouble. Another of her exploits was pushing a girl into the Embury's river. Her twin brother rescued this girl and she was so provoked that she was inclined to push him into the water. She said that she had been in jail for throwing spoiled eggs at girls. This she had done on at least two occasions, and she wound up that story by saying: "Oh, I have been bad all my life."

When her hearers gazed at her in an incredulous way she said: "Oh, if you don't believe it write to Terre Haute, Paris, Mattoon, Charleston, Danville or Champaign. They all know all about us over in that country."

The girl is about five feet tall, and says that she weighs 100 pounds. She has light blue eyes, good teeth, and her hair is light red. When that fact was commented upon, she explained that naturally her hair was decidedly white and that she had dyed it.

At the slightest suggestion she will go on relating personal experiences, generally escapades of an unsavory nature. She exhibited a scar on her right arm and said that it was inflicted by a knife in the hands of a man with whom she had quarreled over a deck of cards. She said that she had done everything except commit murder and get drunk, and that she had never taken a drink.

The police learned that she and another woman with two men spent the greater part of Thursday night riding about the city in a hack.

BACKACHE



All Druggists. Price 50 Cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Backache is Kidney Ache

May as well call things by their right name. It is backache, to be sure—but the kidneys are to blame nine times out of ten. They fail to take the uric acid out of the blood—that's where the trouble begins—You know the rest; backache, headache, urinary troubles, diabetes—and then, Bright's Disease.

Doan's Kidney Pills

Cure kidney trouble of any kind. Are doing it right here in Decatur every day. Decatur people indorse this claim and tell their experience for the benefit of others. Read this case:

Mrs. Frank Arnold of 445 Wabash avenue says: "I had constant sharp pains across my back and hips with bearing down pains in the loins. Stopping, lifting, going up or down stairs or the least exertion in doing my housework always increased the pains through my kidneys. I was restless at night and through the day had a tired feeling with little ambition to do my work. Accompanying these there was a kidney weakness which was very annoying. I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and obtained them at a drug store. They did me a wonderful lot of good in every way; my back felt stronger, and the weakness was relieved. They acted as a tonic in my case and benefited my general health very much."

OPEN BOARD QUOTATIONS

By Keister & Kretzinger Building, New Phone

Chicago, March 9.—Following range of options with Saturday Close.

WHEAT—May—77 1/2 78 1/2 79 1/2

CORN—May—47 1/2 48 1/2 49 1/2

OATS—May—34 1/2 35 1/2 36 1/2

PORTLAND CEMENT—May—18.35 18.42 18.17

IRON—May—17.85 18.90 18.70

LARD—May—10.15 10.17 10.16

RIBS—May—9.97 9.97 9.90

July—9.75 9.77 9.70

Chicago Cash Market

Wheat—No. 2 red, 74 1/2 to 75 1/2; No. 2 hard, 67 1/2 to 68 1/2; No. 2 white, 65 1/2 to 66 1/2; No. 2 yellow, 45 1/2 to 46 1/2; No. 3 yellow, 42 1/2 to 43 1/2; May opened 47 to 47 1/2; to 47 3/4; lowest 16 7/8; to 47 5/8.

Oats—No. 2, 34 1/2 to 35 1/2; No. 2 white, 36 to 37; white, 34 1/2 to 35 1/2; No. 2 to 34 1/2 to 35 1/2 standard March 35 7/8 to 36 1/2.

Receipts and Shipments

Flour—Receipts 23,000; Shipments 23,000

Wheat—Receipts 1,200; Shipments 1,200

Corn—Receipts 2,200; Shipments 2,200

Oats—Receipts 2,200; Shipments 2,200

Other Quotations

Rye—May 50 1/2 to 51 1/2

Barley—Cash 44 to 45 1/2

Flax—\$1.09 to \$1.11

Timothy—\$3.95

Clover—\$11.85

New York Market

New York, March 9.—Receipts 33,000; exports 143,000; No. 2 red 79 5/8 to 80 1/2; No. 2 white, 67 1/2 to 68 1/2; No. 2 yellow, 45 1/2 to 46 1/2; No. 3 yellow, 42 1/2 to 43 1/2; May opened 47 to 47 1/2; to 47 3/4; lowest 16 7/8; to 47 5/8.

Oats—Receipts 98,000; No. 2, 34 1/2 to 35 1/2; No. 2 white, 36 to 37; white, 34 1/2 to 35 1/2; No. 2 to 34 1/2 to 35 1/2 standard March 35 7/8 to 36 1/2.

Receipts and Shipments

Flour—Receipts 23,000; Shipments 23,000

Wheat—Receipts 1,200; Shipments 1,200

Corn—Receipts 2,200; Shipments 2,200

Oats—Receipts 2,200; Shipments 2,200

Other Quotations

Rye—May 50 1/2 to 51 1/2

Barley—Cash 44 to 45 1/2

Flax—\$1.09 to \$1.11

Timothy—\$3.95

Clover—\$11.85

CLEARANCE SALE

....OF....

HANAN SHOES

This season's goods, latest winter styles, heavy soles, the chance of the season entire stock of Enamel Calf, Box Calf and Cordovan. No reservations. \$5.00 values.....\$3.98

Seventeen styles of Women's Fine Shoes to select from, in patent leather and Vic Kid Shoes in welt gores for street or light soles for dress, that we have been selling as high as \$3.50, all sizes and widths, all go in this sale at \$2.49

Eighteen styles of Men's Fine Shoes to select from, in patent leather, enamel, vic kid, box calf, and wax calf. Shoes that we have been selling at \$3.50 and \$5, all go in this sale at \$2.49, \$2.49, \$2.24 and all

Good bargains in Misses Shoes, also in Boys' and Youths' Shoes, and some large sizes in Hanan's \$5

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Frank H. Cole Shoe Co.

148 E. Main St. The Middle Store

WE GIVE TRADING STAMPS.

The sociable at the C. P. church here Friday evening was well attended. March 7.

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George and Jim Murphy loaded their car for Missouri Thursday and Friday. Otis Carpenter was home over Sunday on a visit.

M. E. Harhart and sons have bought J. W. Gibson's hardware and implement store.

Meeting closed at the Baptist church Sunday night.

A. C. Roberts has another stock sale the eleventh of March.

Marlin Landgrebe attended the funeral of his brother at Lovington Saturday.

Mr. Stevens is reported very sick. W. S. Marshall was in town Monday. J. La Stallworth and family visited in Hammond Thursday.

La Place.

Gus Hobson visited Sunday with relatives at Burrowsville.

Young of Decatur was here Tuesday on business.

George Rambo was in Springfield last Thursday and Friday looking after railroad business.

Wm. H. Hurns served lunch at Wm. Louish's sale at Long Creek Tuesday.

Ed Mowery moved to a farm near Arthur this week.

Dye and Shively shipped stock Tuesday.

Richard Gott and wife were called to the bedside of Mrs. Handley, a relative living near Bement, Saturday. They returned Monday. She is quite sick.

Harry Eagan took charge of the Mt. Auburn section on the C. I. & W. as foreman Monday.

Mrs. Hawthorne of Decatur is keeping house for her son, W. Hawthorne, during his wife's absence. Her daughter Minnie is with her.

Monday and Tuesday were the principal moving days. Among those who moved then were John Julius, Remus Tjohil, Frank Landis and Frank Adams, Jos. Black moved to the country last week.

Mrs. W. Hawthorne, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. E. B. Chapman, started Tuesday for Lake Charles, La., where they will visit relatives and stay last week.

Monticello.

Miss Caudance Cloyd of Bement was the guest of A. L. Rodgers and family Monday.

Philip Widdersheim returned from an extended trip through Florida and Louisiana Monday.

Wm. Day of Bement was a business visitor Wednesday.

J. State went to Iowa Tuesday for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Reed are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Agnes Winslip, in Chicago.

Mrs. W. E. Smith was called to Danville Wednesday on account of the serious illness of her sister-in-law, L. Elphier.

The Sterling Opera company completed the lecture course under the auspices of the Woman's club Tuesday evening. The opera was of high order and greatly appreciated by the music loving people of Monticello.

Mrs. Theodore Nelson of Chicago came Saturday, called here by the serious illness of Jesse Youakum.

Capt. William E. Beecher of Springfield visited her sister, Mrs. M. R. Davidson Thursday.

Dr. L. L. Liddell and wife were in Decatur visitors Monday.

Mrs. Louis Peck returned home Monday from a visit with her parents in Tuscola.

Miss Monie Cullins went to Decatur Saturday to attend business college.

Mrs. Florence Bostwick returned to her home in Onarga Wednesday after a few days visit with her father, A. L. Elphier.

The Citizens' association held an open meeting at the opera house Monday night, discussing plans for the improvement of our city. Hon. Wm. Moore of Hopkinton delivered the principal address of the evening, telling how they had made their town what it is. Following his address there were five minute talks by prominent citizens as to the special needs of our town. The orchestra furnished the music for the evening.

Clinton.

Thomas B. Samuel, aged 67 years, died at his home in Hallsville, March 4 at 1:50 a. m. He is survived by his wife, three sons, four daughters and six grandchildren. The funeral was held on Thursday at 2 p. m.

The wills of Cleora Pratt and Mrs. Mary E. Gambart have been admitted to probate. Mr. Pratt's property is valued at \$85,000 and is left to his son and daughter in about equal parts. Miss Pratt is appointed executor.

Webster Marshall who was arrested in Russellville, Ky. and brought back here on a charge of stealing an overcoat from Edris McMullen, waived examination in Justice Donahue's court Tuesday and was held to the grand jury in bonds of \$150.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following persons: J. W. Lohmeyer, Franklin Grove, 27; Bertha Maxwell, Farmer City, 27; W. H. Urlsen, Birkbeck, 20; Laura Bell, Birkbeck, 18; Charles Kaybell, Clinton, 24; Goldy Anderson, Hallsville, 18; Fred Spencer, Clinton, 22; Elizabeth Mayall, Clinton, 20; Thos. R. Wilson, Wapella, 24; Bessie G. Jones, Fullerton, 19.

Miss Gerrie McHenry and Charles Warren Piper will be married at the home of the bride's parents, March 11 at 8:30. The young couple will reside in Fulton, Ky.

W. H. Sparks and F. R. Good of Decatur have a valuable patent on a double tree spring. The device is manufactured in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ruhl who were married in Chicago on Feb. 24, have returned from a short bridal trip and are now at home to their friends on North Jackson avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Erickson are the proud parents of a 11-pound baby boy, born March 5.

The following suits have been filed in the county court: Charles A. Scott vs. George Smith.

Ollie Todd by her conservator, J. R. Basserman, vs. Ed Bowman, partition.

Isaac and Henry Trowell vs. T. F. Scott case, damages, \$1,000.

George Spray vs. Rebecca Rawlins, foreclosure and Hennessy Bros. vs. Fannie Green, Coal and Lumber company of Wapella.

The case of Oscar and F. M. Samuels vs. Attorney John Fuller, which was recently reversed and remanded by the appellate court, has been re-docketed.

The barber shop of Hall & Burns on South Monroe street, which was closed this morning about 8 o'clock. No arrests have been made.

March 5.

BUYERS GOT INDEX

Better Supply of Cattle

Chicago, March 9.—The supply of cattle for the week ending Friday was unexpectedly large and steady. The market was firm and as it was a quiet prices would have been lower, except for choice. Hogs—Last week's receipts were well taken up by the over and trade was at firmer prices. Saturday's receipts were well taken up. Ship—With a tide of classes of buyers, today not excessive, and prices for good flocks.

FARMERS CO.

BARRED ROCK COCK

SALE—Large stock of barred rock cocks for sale. \$2 1/2. Weight 8 to 10 pounds. Uncolored birds. Price \$1.00. Write or call at house southwest of Mr. Z. Hughes, Mt. Zion.

WANTED—Everybody

Wanted—Everybody who has a good horse, buggy, or carriage. Write to Mr. Z. Hughes, Mt. Zion.

MEALS, 15 cents; 7 meals

MEALS, 15 cents; 7 meals. B. T. Myers, prop.—Nov.

FOR SALE—Good

from 1 to 200. Also good mott coat heaters and size, wood or cob stoves, press and molds and clean, first room south class—14.

COW AND HORSE—W

one large cow for sale. Two weeks old family broke. At Whitley farm southwest of Hestonville on top survey. At out of the farm. Call on Mr. Z. Hughes, Mt. Zion.

GRAIN AND COAL BL

SALE—I have several ELEVATORS FOR SALE. Call and see. C. A. Burks, 211-213 Decatur, Ill.—12 wt.

POSITION WANTED

Wanted—A position in a place and will furnish Mr. Chas. Hart, Mortu

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THE MARKETS

OPEN BOARD QUOTATIONS.

By Keister & Kretzing, 425 Powers

Building, New Phone 33, Old 43.

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range of options with Saturday's close:

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Chicago, March 9.—Cattle—Receipts
30,000. Market slow, lower. Good to
prime, \$5.10 to \$5.55; poor to medium
\$3.50 to \$4.75; stockers \$2.75 to \$3.75;
cows \$1.50 to \$4.00; Texans \$3.75 to
\$4.55.

Hogs—36,000; strong to 5 higher; mix-
ed butchers \$7 to \$7.40; good to choice
heavy \$7.40 to \$7.60; rough heavy
\$7.10 to \$7.40; light \$6.70 to \$7.15;
bulk sales \$7.40 to \$7.60.

Sheep—Receipts 23,000. Market
steady; sheep \$4 to \$5.75; lambs \$4.50
to \$5.

NEW-YORK STOCK MARKET.

Furnished by George T. Sullivan, 327,
328 Powers Building, Both
Phones 149.

Chicago, March 9.—It was stated on
very good authority during the day
that the Southern-Union Pacific con-
troverly is settled. My Saturday's ad-
vice was low today. The red letter said
that on any early weakness this morn-
ing stock was a purchase all along the
list, and sure enough, that was a fact,
for the market opened down and was
down the first hour with a sharp ad-
vance in the early part of the day and
extremely fair closing throughout the
general list. The settlement of the
Southern-Union Pacific controversy
was the cause of the sharp advance.
The money market while firm was not
at all tight and funds were offered at 5
per cent, freely for call loans. Satur-
day's failures had their effect early,
but as they were small they had very
little effect after the first half hour's
trading. There is nothing in the rail-
way situation but good news and every
week brings an increase in both gross
and net earnings of 99 per cent of our
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the railway world have excellent con-
ditions and surplus accounts are enor-
mous, where four years ago many of
the properties were bankrupt. General
trade throughout the country is active
and good prices rule. On every rail-
road from New York stocks heavily, as
April and May will witness a big boom
in the general list. Be sure and buy
Atchafalpa on the next advance it will
sell at 110.

COTTON—Very weak opening on
the Cotton exchange from a low level.
As the day passed prices hardened,
leaving the general option list from 3
to 5 points above Saturday's final. Let
cotton bulge if it will and sell.

Monday's Stock Quotations.
Open. High. Low. Close.
Sugar 125 1/2 126 1/2 125 3/4
Copper 71 1/2 72 1/2 71 3/4
St. Paul 168 1/2 169 1/2 168 3/4
Rock Isl. 41 1/2 42 1/2 41 3/4
Mo. Pac. 107 1/2 108 1/2 107 3/4
Union Pac. 90 1/2 91 1/2 90 3/4
Ills. Cent. 138 1/2 139 1/2 138 3/4
Penna. 143 1/2 144 1/2 143 3/4
Reading 57 1/2 58 1/2 57 3/4
Wab. pld. 47 1/2 48 1/2 47 3/4

DECATUR MARKETS.

POULTRY—LIVE WEIGHT.

Hens, demand weak 10
Springs, good demand 10

Cocks 10
Turkeys young 10 to 11
Turkeys old 10 to 11
Ducks, active demand 10
Geese in demand 10
Eggs, brisk demand 10
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GRAIN.

Corn, (new) 35
Wheat 75
Oats 25 to 30
Rye 35

WHOLESALE HAY AND STRAW.

Timothy hay, per ton: \$5.50 to \$6.50
Prairie hay, per ton: \$5.50 to \$6.50
Wheat straw, per ton: \$4.00 to \$5.00
Oats straw, per ton: \$4.00 to \$5.00
Shredded fodder 5.00 to 7.00

FEED.

Oats, per bu 35 to 40
New corn, per bu 45 to 50
Bran, per cwt 90
Shorts, per cwt 1.10
Ground corn, per cwt 1.10
Ground corn and oats, per cwt 1.15 to 1.30

HAY AND STRAW.

Timothy hay, per cwt 65 to 75
Prairie hay, per cwt 60 to 70
Clover, per cwt 60 to 70
Wheat straw, per cwt 30 to 35
Oats straw, per cwt 35 to 40
Lined oil meal, per cwt 1.50

LIVE STOCK AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, March 9.—Wheat—Cash
No. 1-4; May 69 1-4.
Corn—Cash 40 1-2; May 40 7-8 to 41.
Oats—Cash 35; May 34 5-8.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE.

New York, March 9.—Butter—Flem-
ing's common to choice 18 to 27.
Extra 28; held 17 to 26.
Eggs—Refrigerated 12 to 16; fancy
18 to 22.

POULTRY—ALIVE UNSETTLED.

Dressed, weak, chickens 14 to 14 1-2; fowls 12.
Turkeys 17.

CHICAGO, MARCH 9.—BUTTER, STEADY.

creameries 18 to 25 1-2; dairies 14 to 21.
Eggs—Easy 16 1-2.

POULTRY—EASY; TURKEYS 15 TO 18;

chickens 10 to 13.

LIVE STOCK AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, March 9.—Cattle—Re-
ceipts 4000. Slow for natives, Texans
lower. Beef steers, \$3.50 to \$5.25;
stockers and feeders, \$2.25 to \$4.50;
Texas steers \$3.50 to \$4.60.

Hogs—Receipts 3000; steady, range
\$5.50 to \$7.50.

BUYERS GOT INDEPENDENT.

Better Supply of Cattle Caused Weak-
ening Prices.

Chicago, March 9.—Cattle—Today's
unexpected large supply caused buy-
ers to assume a very independent
stand and as it was a foregone con-
clusion prices would weaken. Sales
were on the average, ten to fifteen
lower, except for choice heaves.

Hogs—Last week's light receipts
were well taken, only 1400 being left
over and trade was active today at
higher prices, Saturday's late advance
being well maintained.

Sheep—With active demand with all
classes of buyers today's supply was
not excessive, and prices ruled firm
for good flocks.

FARMERS COLUMN

HARRIED ROCK COCKERELS FOR

SALE—Long strain. Score 80 to
92-1-2. Weight 6 to 9 pounds. All are
described. Prices reasonable.
Write or call at home 2-1-2 Mrs. L. B.
Hedges, 451 North Water street.
S. T. Myers, prop.—Nov 4-wf

WANTED—Everybody to buy a meal

ticket at the Farmer's Restaurant.
Meals 15 cents; 7 meals, 95 cents; 21
meals \$2.75. 451 North Water street.
S. T. Myers, prop.—Nov 4-wf

FOR SALE—Good solid stool chairs

from 1 to 300. Also good hard
wood and heaters and good stoves, big
size, wood or cob stoves at \$350. Cigar
press and molds and letter press.
Chance, first room south of St. Nich-
olas—14-w.

COW AND HORSE—We have for sale

one large Jersey cow, fresh about
two weeks; one family mare, city
breed; one heavy horse, 2 years old,
southwest of Harrison. One can-
only top survey. At our office, Deca-
tur, Ill. Pergram & Hostetter, Chil-
drens Bank Bldg.—Feb 10-wf

GRAIN AND COAL BUSINESS FOR

WANTED—Have several good paying
customers for coal at reasonable
prices. Call and see me or address
L. A. Burks, 211-212, 213 Review bldg.,
Decatur, Ill.—13-wf

PORTION WANTED—In good heavy

farm. Have had eleven years experi-
ence and will make good references.
Mr. Chas. Hart, Mortimer, Ill.—6-wf

LITTLE BOY PRAYS

That His Mother May Recover From
a Determined Attempt at
Suicide.

TOOK A DOSE OF CHLOROFORM.

Mrs. Harry Stewart Worried by Triv-
ial Matter Wanted
To Die.

Discouraged and worried on account
of ill health and annoyed by some
trivial matter, Mrs. Harry Stewart,
a young colored woman, who was mar-
ried to her husband only a
month ago, attempted Monday noon to
take her own life by drinking the
contents of a bottle of chloroform in
the presence of her seven year old
son, Carl Lewis.

The child had been sent to the drug
store for the drug and not knowing its
deadly nature, handed the bottle to
his mother, who had decided to
drink and placed the bottle to her
mouth and drank nearly all of its
contents.

Mrs. Stewart at once fell back on the
bed and the little boy thinking that
his mother was dying screamed and
called for help. Had it not been for
the alarm given by the little boy, Mrs.
Stewart would have died but she was
restored by a physician and will prob-
ably recover from the effects of tak-
ing the chloroform.

Mrs. Stewart is about twenty-five
years of age and has been married
twice. Her first husband was Fred
Lewis, who soon left her to provide
for herself and her little boy Carl.
About a month ago the husband was
murdered by a second time, leaving her
husband, Harry Stewart, who is
a porter in a saloon. Mrs.
and Mrs. Stewart temporarily living
with her sister, Mrs. Brummell, on
the third floor of the building at
149 East Main street.

Mrs. Stewart has not been in good
health and has been very nervous and
worried. She had a good deal of
trouble with her first husband and
Monday she was especially depressed
because of some little thing which had
happened to her.

Borrowed a Dime.
Mrs. Brummell had no thought that
Mrs. Stewart contemplated suicide.
During the forenoon Mrs. Stewart
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THE BIG STORE

BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO.

COR. WATER
AND NORTH

MARCH SALE

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We are ready to make our March Sale the greatest in the history of our business. For the past thirty days goods have been pouring into our business store, car load after car load, until every warehouse is filled to the top with new spring goods bought at prices that can only be gained by heavy purchases for spot cash, and we propose to give our thousands of customers in Decatur and Central Illinois the benefit. Our large volume of business enables us to retail goods at wholesale prices.

Our Carpet department has been doubled and our prices are lower than any carpet house in Central Illinois. Goods stored free until wanted.

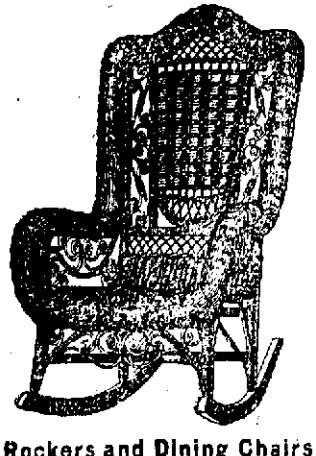


KITCHEN CABINETS

No kitchen is complete without a cabinet. Twenty styles on our floor.

Kitchen cabinet, top 24x40, large four bins, large drawers, broad boards and etc., finished in golden oak, worth \$4.50. March sale price \$3.50.

Very large cabinet, 2 four bins, 2 large drawers, 2 bread boards, 8 small drawers, large glass door, cupboard, top 48 in. wide, 12 in. deep, adjustable shelves, all finished in golden oak, worth \$14.00. March sale price \$10.75.



Rockers and Dining Chairs

Full size Cane Seat Diner, solid oak, worth \$1.00. March sale price 69c.

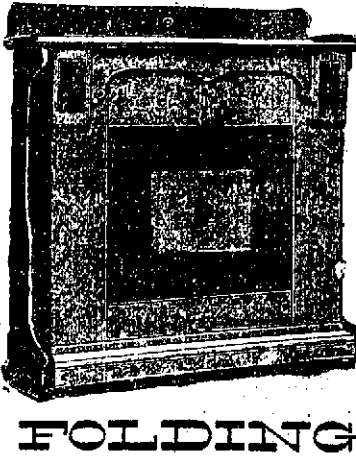
42 in. Extension Table, bolted legs, worth \$4.75. March sale price \$4.75.

Golden oak finished Rocker, bolted arms, carved back, worth \$3.00. March sale price \$1.75.

44.00 Rockers for \$3.

56.00 Rockers for \$4.

and hundreds of better Rockers at March sale prices.



FOLDING BEDS

Chiffonier Folding Bed, golden oak finish, painted front, good springs, worth \$16.00. March sale price \$12.50.

Solid oak Bedroom Suit, 3 pieces, full size bed, good castors, French evel mirror in dresser, worth \$20. March sale price \$14.95.

Solid oak full size Dresser, French plate mirror, worth \$10.00. March sale price \$7.50.

Fine Dressers, Chiffoniers, and Dressing Tables, at March sale prices.



PARLOR SUITS and COUCHES

We sell the Karpem Guaranteed Couches.

A full sized steel construction Couch, covered in fancy velours worth \$18.50. March sale price \$9.75.

Extra heavy wide Couch, Karpem guaranteed steel construction, worth \$15. March sale price \$12.50.

20 other styles of better Couches in cloth and leather covers at March sale prices.



IRON BEDS

2 cars of Iron Beds, just in, the finest line of beds we ever carried. Full sized Iron Bed complete. March sale price \$1.98.

\$5.00 Beds; March sale price \$3.50.

\$7.00 Beds; March sale price \$5.00.

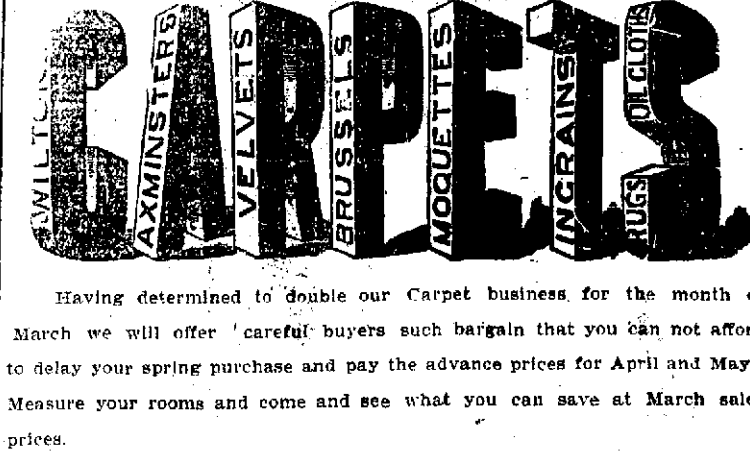
\$12.50 Beds; March sale price \$9.50.

All higher priced Beds at March sale prices.

Dressing Tables

Fancy dressing table in golden oak, birdseye maple or mahogany polish finish, bevel glass mirror, worth \$15. March sale price \$11.75.

Extra quality dressing table, swell front, large glass, a beauty, worth \$20. March sale price \$16.50.



HALLING DETERMINED TO DOUBLE OUR CARPET BUSINESS FOR THE MONTH OF

March we will offer 'careful' buyers such bargain that you can not afford to delay your spring purchase and pay the advance prices for April and May. Measure your rooms and come and see what you can save at March sale prices.

Ingrain Carpets at 65c, 60c, 50c, 40c, and 25c.

Brussels Carpets at 85c, 75c, and 65c.

Velvet Carpets at \$1.25, \$1.00 and 90c.

25 9X12 best quality Velvet Rugs at March sale prices. \$28.50.

10 9X12 Wilton Velvet Rugs at March sale price.

25 9X12 Body Brussels Rugs at March sale prices.

20 9X12 Tapestry Brussels Rugs, full wool faced, good patterns, worth \$17.50; March sale price \$14.75.

20 rolls new spring Matting, 25 percent discount at March sale prices.

500 pairs lace Curtains at 83 1-3 per cent discount at March sale prices.

WE PAY THE FREIGHT.

BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO.

Goods as Represented for your Money Back.

MORMONS HERE

House to House Canvass Completed After Months of Work Without An Addition.

WILL HOLD SERVICES TODAY.

To Chintori Next to Make Canvass There.

The Mormons of the Southern Illinois conference are holding their semi-annual conference here today. Their place of meeting is in the Odd Fellows hall at the corner of Main and William streets. They held services there last night and will have preaching there today at 9:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. There are about twenty elders in attendance from all parts of the country, several from Utah and Idaho. Elder A. L. Woodruff, president of the northern district mission with Chicago as headquarters, will have general supervision.

The Mormons have been making a house to house canvass in Decatur since last April and have completed their work here for the present. There are fifteen members of the church here, but they have no place for worship, the only church of their faith in the state and in Chicago, where they have a membership of 350. They say they are waiting for a church to be built by their brethren here, but several are favorable to their faith. Their headquarters for southern Illinois will be removed to Clinton Monday and no one will be allowed to leave the city until the time will be carried out at Clinton and every house will be canvassed. This is their plan of action, to make a house to house canvass in every city and town, and to touch every person in the country.

FOR CITY ATTORNEY.

Nay Bogges Will Again Seek the Republican Nomination.

This morning W. Nay Bogges is formally announced as a candidate for the republican nomination for city attorney. He is a native of Decatur and is a member of the republican primaries and convention.

This is the second time that he has entered the race for the nomination. Two years ago in a convention where there were ninety-two delegates, he was defeated by the late Mayor H. H. Rogers. He is a popular man and is active in the community. When he left school he began service on a railroad but an unfortunate accident compelled him to leave. That of course compelled him to abandon that work and he began the study of law and seven years ago was admitted to the bar. He has since been practicing law in Decatur and has given relief. The prompt relief from which this lament affords is the worth many times its cost. For sale by All Druggists.

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The many friends of John Blount will be pleased to learn that he has been recovered from his attack of pneumonia. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cured him after the best doctors had failed. The prompt relief from which this lament affords is the worth many times its cost. For sale by All Druggists.

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FINE TREAT PROMISED.

In the Concert to Be Given By High School.

The concert to be given by the senior and junior classes of the high school, assisted by the Opera House orchestra, for the benefit of the library fund, has been set for Friday evening, April 24th. The pupils have been practicing for months under the direction of Miss Mary Clark, supervisor of music in the public schools, and a treat is promised the audience. This will be the only musical or May festival this year and the music lovers will not be disappointed in the program, half of which will be given by a fine chorus of 150 voices and the remainder by the Opera House orchestra under the leadership of Professor Walters.

DR. GRAHAM PREACHES TODAY.

Will Fill Pulpit of Rev. Bowyer at Baptist Church.

Dr. E. S. Graham of Hannibal, Mo. will preach both morning and evening in the absence of Rev. S. H. Bowyer, whose illness will keep him from his pulpit another Sunday. Those who were so fortunate as to hear Dr. Graham last Sunday will not be likely to miss both services and there will be some special music in the evening. Those who have been looking forward to the concert to be given by the senior and junior classes of the high school, assisted by the Opera House orchestra, for the benefit of the library fund, has been set for Friday evening, April 24th. The pupils have been practicing for months under the direction of Miss Mary Clark, supervisor of music in the public schools, and a treat is promised the audience. This will be the only musical or May festival this year and the music lovers will not be disappointed in the program, half of which will be given by a fine chorus of 150 voices and the remainder by the Opera House orchestra under the leadership of Professor Walters.

FOUR SETS OF PLANS.

For Remodeling of Jail Presented to Supervisor's Committee.

There was a meeting of the building committee of the board of supervisors Saturday at which four sets of plans for the remodeling and improvement of the county jail were presented by architects R. O. Rosen, J. D. Sling, J. S. Brooks and W. Landon of St. Louis. The latter represents the City Jail Company. The plans are made in their general features and provide for the removal of the sheathing of the present jail and the installation of a system of lighting and ventilation. The new jail to be constructed in the rear will have a department for female and juvenile offenders and there are other minor changes and improvements. The committee had only a brief opportunity to examine the plans Saturday and will consider them again Monday or Tuesday and may recommend the adoption of one or may refer the choice to the board.

Colds Are Dangerous.

How often you hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that it is almost never slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cures it. It always cures and is pleasant to take. Sold by All Druggists.

Births.

Blens—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Blens of East Third street on Saturday, March 3, a son.

Wakeful Children.

For a long time the two-year-old child of Mr. P. L. McPherson, 59 N. Tenth St., Harrisburg, Pa., would sleep two or three hours at a time. The child was very restless and his mother was very anxious. She had heard of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Tablets, which quieted her stomach and she slept the whole night through. Two boxes of these Tablets have effected a permanent cure and she is now well and strong. For sale by All Druggists.

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A NARROW MARGIN

Smallwood Sale Barely Passed Required Two-Thirds of the Appraisal.

TOTAL AMOUNT WAS \$23,915

Some Valuable Pieces Went Very Cheap.

About two hundred men assembled at the north door of the court house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to attend the public sale of real estate belonging to the Joseph Smallwood estate. Alexander McIntosh acted as auctioneer for the administrator, "Albert" Barnes, and eight of the parcels advertised were sold for a total of \$23,915. The parcels sold were appraised at \$35,000 altogether and it was necessary to realize at least two-thirds of that sum so the sale only exceeded the required amount by \$582. The court will have to pass upon the sale but it is believed that it will be approved. If the sale stands, some valuable property was bought very cheaply, notably the livery and feed barn at the corner of East Prairie and Jackson streets which was sold to Fred Harpstrite for \$1075. These lots were bought by the late J. P. Smallwood for \$14,000 and he erected the present structure at a cost of \$7,000 and in addition there is a house on the premises fronting upon Jackson street.

The terms of sale were one-third on date of sale, one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months, deferred payments to be represented by notes bearing 6 per cent interest and secured by mortgages upon the premises.

The first property offered consisted of lot 4 in block 3 of Yates & King's addition appraised at \$2100; known as 731 West North street. It was knocked down to John C. Mendoza for \$1530.

The next offering was 52 feet off of the south side of lot 4 in block 1 of Gibbs' addition, appraised at \$2500; known as 704 North Church street. A. C. Webber started this at \$1200 and John E. King and D. C. Corley forced it up to \$2250 at which price it was sold to A. C. Webber.

The next offering was 55 feet in width off the north side of block 2 of R. J. Ogilby's addition appraised at \$2300; known as 560 North Church street.

This is the old Rordy property and opened at \$1400 rising in eight \$100 bids to \$2500 which went by smaller jumps to \$2415 where it fell to David Patterson, Tom Sly, appeared as the bidder.

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Will Be Discussed by Divisions of the Club This Week.

At the meetings of the different divisions of the Woman's club this week the principal interest will center about the discussion of the political situation. The directory ticket which was posted at the general meeting March 5th will be discussed and the chairman of each division will appoint two members of the division who are not connected with the directory and these ten ladies will get the sentiment of the general membership and then hold a convention at which they will decide upon the makeup of the club ticket. They may elect to endorse the directory ticket in part or altogether but as it is the intention of the ladies to the Australian ballot system, it is believed that two tickets will be put in the field as a single ticket would call merely for ratification.

THE LOWLY DRIED FRUIT

It Can Be Worked Up Into a Great Many Tempting Ways.

HERE ARE A FEW OF THEM.

Here are a number of ways in which dried fruit may be prepared:

Dried Apple Sponge.

Take two cupsful of strained, stewed apples and sweeten with half a cup of biscuit crust, rolled out half an inch thick. Bring the four corners of the dough together and then pinch the edges lightly together. If you prefer steam dumplings tie this in a floured cloth and steam; or they may be baked. In latter case spread the top of each dumpling with butter and dredge with sugar and little nutmeg or cinnamon and bake in the oven until a nice brown from twenty-five minutes to half an hour.

Sweet Apple Pone.

Steam a quart of dried apples until tender, then chop coarsely. Scald a quart of white corn meal with a pint of boiling water and let it stand until cold; then add a pint of sweet milk and the chopped apples; half a cup of sugar and two ounces of butter, melted. Turn into a greased pan, cover and bake two hours. This may be served as a dessert with liquid sauce, or for a hot bread.

Molded Prunes.

Wash one pound of prunes, place in a saucepan with three tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar and boil until very soft. Then remove the stones, crack the kernels and with one ounce of gelatine dissolved in a little cold water the juice and rind of one lemon add to the prunes, mixing all thoroughly. Pour into a mold and set away in a cool place and when cold set turn out into a pretty dish with whipped cream heaped around it.

Fig Puddings.

Boil one-half pound of figs, one-half cup of sugar and one-quarter of a cup of water together, until reduced to a paste. Beat up two eggs add to them one cup of milk, enough flour to make a stiff batter and one heaping teaspoonful of baking powder. Mix all thoroughly together, then add the figs, place in a covered mold and steam for two hours.

Graham Fruit Pudding.

Beat up two eggs, add one cupful of sour cream or milk in which one teaspoonful of soda has been dissolved; one cup of water, one-half cupful of molasses, three tablespoonfuls of melted butter, one cupful of bread crumbs, two cupfuls of Graham flour and last of all stir in one cupful of stoned raisins. Place in a buttered, covered mold and steam for three hours. Serve with foamy sauce.

Apricot Sauce.

Wash one pound of apricots and soak in cold water over night. In the morning simmer gently in the same water in which they were soaked, until tender and sweeten to taste.

Apricot Whip.

Take two cupfuls of steamed apricots and add to it the juice and rind of one tart orange, and one-half cup of sugar. Beat the whites of four eggs to a stiff froth and stir carefully into the apricot. Serve in a glass dish with whipped cream.

Apricot Fritters.

Stew apricots very carefully, keeping their shape as well as possible.

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READ IT THROUGH.

'Twould Spoil This Story to Tell it in the Head Lines.

To use an eighteenth century phrase, this is an "old" true tale. Having happened in a small Virginia town in the winter of 1902, it is a story very much of the present. Up to a short time ago Mrs. John E. Harmon, of Meigs Station, Va., had no personal knowledge of the rare curative properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. "Last January," she says, "my baby took a dreadful cold and at one time I feared she would have pneumonia, but one of my neighbors told me how this remedy had cured her little boy and I began giving it to my baby at once. If soon cured her. I heartily thank the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for placing so great a cure within my reach. I can truly recommend it too highly or say too much in its favor. I hope all who read this will try it and be convinced as I was." For sale by all druggists.

SOME NEWSPAPER CHANGES.

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Out Again.

Patrolman Dan Rosiek of the night force has resumed work after an illness of three weeks.

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Place in a wire sieve and drain almost free from juice. Beat up one egg, add one-half cup of milk, one tablespoonful of melted butter, enough flour to make a thin batter, and then add one level teaspoonful of baking powder. Have a handful of baking powder, dip one-half of an apricot at a time in the batter, place in the hot fat and fry until a light brown. Dust with powdered sugar or serve with lemon sauce.

Dried Pears.

Wash carefully one pound of dried pears, place in a saucepan, cover with cold water and stand over night. In the morning cook in the same water until the pears are boiled, then add to the remaining juice one cup of sugar and one lemon cut into dice, boil to a syrup, pour over the pears and allow to cool thoroughly before serving.

Dried Cherry Pudding.

Wash and pick over carefully one pound of dried cherries. Soak in cold water for an hour, then simmer gently, adding sugar to taste. Beat up three eggs, add one-half cup of milk, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, three tablespoonfuls of melted butter and enough flour to make a stiff batter, stirring in one teaspoonful of baking powder. Stir in carefully one cup of the stewed cherries which have been drained from the juice, place in a buttered, covered mold and steam for two hours. Serve with a sauce made from one cup of powdered sugar, one-half cup of sugar, and the juice of one-half a lemon.

Fig Barley Pudding.

Take two cups of well-steamed barley. Add to this while hot two tablespoonfuls of butter; half a cup of sugar; one pound of finely chopped California figs three well-beaten eggs, and one and one-half cups of milk. Mix all well together and turn into a well-buttered pudding dish. Set the dish over another containing hot water and bake in a slow oven until the pudding is quite thick, and frequently at first to keep the figs from settling to the bottom. Eat with or without sauce.

The hacking cough that usually follows a gripe, rapidly succumbs to the "Honey and Horshoe" It is a specific for all throat and lung troubles. Sold by H. W. Bell.

Things That Happen.

An 8 year old girl runs a restaurant in Denver.

A Berlin woman bequeathed her property to a cat.

A cent on the toe of a Philadelphia man caused his death.

A mine near Phoenix, Ariz., has disappeared after the shaft had been sunk.

A damaged footballer has just been fitted at a London hospital with a celluloid nose.

A Bangor, Me., man, who is said to be otherwise sane, has an American flag tattooed on his cheek.

A Pennsylvania hotelkeeper was fined 87 cents for swearing at his guests who would not get up when called.

After going around with a broken skull for fifteen years, the Kentucky woman who owned it has just had it repaired.

A man who advertised for a cook and a music teacher received nine answers to the former advertisement and 338 to the latter.

The editor of a weekly newspaper in Australia offers himself as a prize to the woman who writes the best essay on the duties of a wife.

A man in Buenos Ayres became insane from violent emotion, on learning that he had won the big prize in a lottery. He went to a church, drew a revolver, and fired at the priests.

This amusing excuse was given by the editor of an Indian vernacular paper, which was printed with two col-

MOTHER IS ILL.

E. J. Strader and D. A. Strader were called to Omaha, Neb., by a telegram received last night announcing the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. E. K. Strader. Mrs. Strader is 70 years old.

FORM PARTNERSHIP.

Joe Fenton and Frank Hodgins have gone into partnership in the cigar manufacturing business on South State street. They will make the Little Jap and other brands.

BANK CLEARINGS.

The bank clearings for Saturday, March 7th, were \$352,678.53, against \$388,475.37 for the corresponding week last year.

GASOLINE LAUNCH.

Johnston & Landis are fitting up the new steel gasoline launch of Ed Jennings, at their shop on South Water street. The hull which is fifteen feet long, will carry 12 H. P. motor, and is guaranteed to sustain 2,000 pounds. A one and a half horse-power engine is placed in the rear and drives a 14-inch propeller at a speed of 50 revolutions per minute. A steering wheel and an awning will complete the little launch which will ply on the Sangamon this summer.

RIGHT FOOT CRUSHED.

J. E. Onstach is laid up at his home on West Market street from effects of injuries received a couple of days ago. He was taking his team out of the barn when it was knocked down and trampled upon. His right foot was severely crushed and out by the shoe calks.

An anti-cake-walk league has been formed in Paris.

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IMPORTANT AMENDMENT
MADE TO THE CUBAN RE
PROCTIVITY TREATY.

CRUM'S CASE POSTPO

Senators Hopeful of Finishing
ness of Special Session Durin
Coning Week.

Washington, March 12.—There
important developments today re
the treaty pending in the sen
decided to vote on the Pa
treaty Tuesday next and
reciprocity treaty was re
the senate by the commit
relations. The end of the
which the extra session was
before is in sight. The agree
on the canal treaty was a
at soon after the senate asse
noon and without discus
moment. The terms made were
treaty to Senator Morgan before
to fix a day for a vote
announced by Senator Frye se
made no objection.
The Cuban treaty with va
amendments agreed on by the
fitted was then reported by Mr.
and at his request it was
in the informal manner. The
was followed by a formal
most by Mr. Cullum to take up
Cuban treaty for discussion but
was denied still the greater
of the session will be devoted
amendments include in addition
of the last session, a provi
requiring the approval of the
representatives to make the t
effective.

Democratic Attitude.

With the adoption of this am
the democrats as a body
probably cause opposition to the
treaty, but some of them, s
interests of whose states are af
will continue opposition. The
senate side of the senate will
specifically, if not absolutely sold,
the treaty, but some of them
believed it will be ratified after
in the Panama canal.

Individual democratic senators
have a number of amendments
to the treaty, but they will not
passing some of them but if
should be voted down as some
number of democrats will vote
in opposition of the treaty.

Crum's Case Postponed.

The progress made today leads
most to predict an adjournm
the close of next week. The ac
committee on commerce in p
also a vote on Dr. Crum's nom
for collector at Charleston, S
which also took place today is
fully accepted as disposing of
the case for this session.

Besides the amendment on the
treaty providing for approval
of the house, two others were nece
sary in discussion. One of the
amendments is for a restriction
in the tariff on American ex
ported into Cuba and the other
states in explicit terms a further
reduction than 20 per cent in duty
on sugar and they will unite
in this and also prohibiting reduc
the rates of sugar coming into
United States from other countries.

MATTHEW'S NEW COURT HOUSE.

Contract Let Thursday to J. W. Ro
of Urbana—Cost is Nearly
\$80,000.

O. ROSEN WAS A BIDDER.

Monticello, March 14.—Special to
Herald.—The plans submitted by Ar
J. W. Royer of Urbana for a new
court house at Monticello, were
accepted by the board of supervi
Saturday. Three architects compe
the other two were R. O. Rosen
and J. C. Luellen of Chicago. These
three were selected to draw
plans for the new court house. Mr.
Royer once before submitted
plans but the estimate was too h
time the plans call for a buildi
cost nearly \$80,000 including
of the architect.

It will be built probably on the p
square and will be of brick, w
stone corn-cotta. On the lower fo
the supervisor's office, the sher
county superintendent's office, o
other offices together with vari
the second floor will be
city clerk, deputy city clerk, trea
and state's attorney.
The third floor will be the
court room, the offices for
the judges and jury rooms
and other rooms.

The building will cover a space
of 44 by 80 feet. The interior w
will be quarter sawed oak,
brick floors and walls. The plan
shows heating plant and plum
in first class. The work will
be about five weeks. On year
required to build.

AMES WILL COME BACK.

St. Paul, Minn., March 12.—F
Mayor Ames, who had been
without his physician, and it is
now decided this afternoon to
leave Saturday morning.
Ames to return was volunt
but not announced until
his condition had come forw
and was enough for his bil
return.

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